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For: RACING GAME MACHINE

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following explanations: Japanese Patent Publication No. 9-28922A discloses a racing game

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